

## Message Text

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7764

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: ETRD, PFOR, CH, US

SUBJ: LI CHIANG'S REMARKS ON COCOM

REF: PEKING 922

FOLLOWING IS A RECORD OF THAT PORTION OF THE MAY 7  
CONVERSATION BETWEEN AMBASSADOR GATES AND  
FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER LI CHIANG, REPORTED  
SEPTEL, WHICH DEALT WITH POSSIBLE PRC ARMS  
PURCHASES.

GATES: WHAT ABOUT ARMS SALES (TO CHINA)?

LI: YOU MEAN ORDINANCE?

GATES: ARMS SALES.

LI: THERE IS THE COCOM ARRANGEMENT  
SOMETIMES YOU ATTACH CONDITIONS ON SALES. THIS  
HINDERS THE DEVELOPMENT OF TRADE.

GATES: WE HAVE MADE SALES TO CHINA  
UNDER COCOM.

LI: BUT SOMETIMES THE CONDITIONS  
YOU PLACE ON SALES TO US ARE NOT NORMAL.  
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